

My husband and I are in opposition to House Bill 6818 for the following reasons:

- We are close to the NY border and my husband travels to NYC by car every work day. As Site Safety Manager he requires the car in order to go from site to site during the day. The additional 10 times a week transportation tax would be a burden to us. FYI the company my husband works for does not have benefits. So whenever circumstances do not allow my husband to work, such as road closings, and doctor's appointments, he does not get paid. I mention this because of the importance of voting no for additional transportation taxes proposed in house bill 6818.
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- We are senior citizens in our 70's, trying to make ends meet. My husband has not been able to retire because of the economic hardships we have encountered throughout our working years. I work part time when I can. We are part of the middle class that are caught in a situation that keeps us from "getting out from under."
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- During the summer we utilize I-84 to NY farms that are in close proximity to our residence for fresh produce.
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- We have relatives living in various parts of NY that are in close proximity to I-84. Newburgh, Poughkeepsie, Mohegan Sun. The imposition of new taxes would have us reconsider the amount of visits per year we would make to these relatives.
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As taxpayers burdened with taxes upon taxes we say "NO" to House Bill 6818

Sincerely,

Dominic and Elizabeth Ricci